The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the present application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1. (currently amended) An absorbent article (40) configured for disposition within a vestibule (42) of a female wearer and having an improved efficacy at maintaining disposition within the vestibule, the absorbent article comprising: a fluid permeable cover (62); a baffle (64); and an absorbent (66), the absorbent having a longitudinal length, a transverse width, a height along a vertical z-axis direction, and an upper body-facing surface, the upper surface having a surface area, wherein: the absorbent is situated vertically between the cover and baffle; the length of the absorbent is no less than about 40 mm; the length of the absorbent is no greater than about 50 mm; the a minimum width of the absorbent is no less than [[about 5]] 10 mm; the width of the absorbent is no greater than about 40 mm; the surface area of the upper surface is no less than about 700 mm²; and the surface area of the upper surface is no greater than about 1,700 mm².
- 2. (original) The absorbent article of claim 1, wherein the surface area of the upper surface is no less than about 900 mm².
- 3. (original) The absorbent article of claim 1, wherein the surface area of the upper surface is no less than about 1,100 mm².
- 4. (original) The absorbent article of claim 1, wherein the length of the absorbent is no less than about 45 mm.
 - 5. (canceled)
- 6. (currently amended) The absorbent article of claim 1, wherein the <u>minimum</u> width of the absorbent is no less than about [[10]] <u>20</u> mm.
- 7. (currently amended) The absorbent article of claim 1, wherein the <u>minimum</u> width of the absorbent is no less than about 15 mm.
- 8. (original) The absorbent article of claim 1, wherein the absorbent further comprises a superabsorbent polymer.

Claims 9-37 (canceled)